

PATENT

Docket No. 56733US002

(formerly 56733USA5A.002)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): MITTELSTADT et al. ) Group Art Unit: 3751  
 Serial No.: 09/888,732 ) Examiner: Azadeh Kokabi  
 Confirmation No.: 2092 )  
 Filed: 25 June 2001 )  
 For: UNIDIRECTIONAL RESPIRATOR VALVE (As Amended)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
 Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed 28 August 2002, thereby extending the date on which the period of response is set to expire from 28 November 2002 to 28 January 2003.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-4895 in the amount of \$400.00 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit any over-payment to PTO Deposit Account No.13-4895.

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8:

The undersigned hereby certifies that this paper is being transmitted by facsimile in accordance with 37 CFR §1.6(d) to the Patent and Trademark Office, addressed to Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this 28th day of January, 2003, at 2:09 pm (Central Time).

Signature: [Signature]  
 Name: Rachel Aggle-Debi-Gebhardt

28 JAN. 2003  
 Date

Respectfully submitted for

MITTELSTADT et al.

By  
 Mueting, Raasch & Gebhardt, P.A.  
 P.O. Box 581415  
 Minneapolis, MN 55458-1415  
 Phone: (612)305-1220  
 Facsimile: (612)305-1228

By: [Signature]  
 Kevin W. Raasch  
 Reg. No. 35,651  
 Direct Dial (612)305-1218

FAX RECEIVED

JAN 28 2003

GROUP 3700

01/30/2003 NPATERS 00000001 134895 09888732

01 FC:1252 400.00 CH

BEST AVAILABLE COPY